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Petitioner contends that the standards applied by the court of appeals in reviewing his above-Guidelines sentence for unreasonableness are inconsistent with United States v. *Booker*, 543 U.S. 220 (2005). On June 11, 2007, this Court granted certiorari in *Gall* v. *United States*, No. 06-7949, to address the standards to be applied in reviewing a sentence outside the Guidelines for unreasonableness under *Booker*. Accordingly, the petition for a writ of certiorari should be held pending the Court's resolution of *Gall*, and then disposed of as appropriate in light of the decision in that case.*

* The government waives any further response to the petition unless this Court requests otherwise.

Respectfully submitted.

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